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Economic

ACE/96. Annual Capital Expenditures: 1996. 60 pp. \$15. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/ace-96.pdf>

C22/98-4. Housing Completions, April 1998. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c22-9804.pdf>

Current Business Reports

BW/98-4. Monthly Wholesale Trade: Sales and Inventories, April 1998. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/bw-9804.pdf>

C25/98-4. New One-Family Houses Sold, April 1998. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c25-9804.pdf>

CB/98. Advance Monthly Retail Sales, May 1998. <http://www.census.gov/svsd/www/advhist.html>

C30/98-4. Value of Construction Put in Place, April 1998. 24 pp. \$2.25. Cite list ID "CRCA" and month/year when ordering from GPO. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c30-9804.pdf>

Current Construction Reports

C20/98-4. Housing Starts, April 1998. 24 pp. \$2. Cite list ID "CRHS" and month/year when ordering from GPO. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c20-9804.pdf>

Current Foreign Trade Reports

<http://www.census.gov/mp/www/pub/ftd/msftd.html#pm>

FT 895/97. U.S. Trade With Puerto Rico and U.S. Possessions. 294 pp. \$32. To order, contact Foreign Trade Division,

telephone 301-457-2227. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/ft895-97.pdf>

FT 900/98-4. U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services, April 1998. 46 pp. \$15. (Includes the FT 900 Supplement.) To order, contact Foreign Trade Division, telephone 301-457-2227.

FT 900(97). U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services: Annual Revision for 1997. 64 pp. \$30. To order, contact Foreign Trade Division, telephone 301-457-2227.

FT 920/98-4. U.S. Merchandise Trade: Selected Highlights, April 1998. 36 pp. \$25. To order, contact Foreign Trade Division, telephone 301-457-2227.

Current Industrial Reports

M3-1(98)-4. Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders, April 1998. 12 pp. \$1.75. Cite list ID "AMSIO" and month/year when ordering from GPO. <http://www.census.gov/ftp/pub/indicator/www/m3/index.htm>

MQ-C1(96). Survey of Plant Capacity: 1996. 58 pp. \$15. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/mqc1-96.pdf>

MQ-C1(96)-1. Manufacturers' Utilization of Plant Capacity (Advance Report for Fourth Quarter 1996). 2 pp. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/mqc196ad.pdf>

General and Reference

CAY/98-5/6. Census and You, Volume 33, No. 5/6, May/June 1998. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/cay-9805.pdf>

Minutes and Report of Committee Recommendations: Census Advisory Committee of Professional Associations, October 23-24, 1997. 130 pp. Order from Katherine Italiano, Conference and Travel Management Services Branch, telephone 301-457-2308. Single copy free, as long as supply lasts.

MPA/98-6. Monthly Product Announcement (MPA), June 1998.

No charge. Use the Census Bureau order form. <http://www.census.gov/mp/www/mpa.html#MPA>

Housing

Current Housing Reports

H130/98-Q1. Market Absorption of Apartments, First Quarter 1998— Absorptions (Completions in Fourth Quarter 1997). <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/h13098q1.pdf>

Population

Current Population Reports

P20. Population Characteristics

505. Educational Attainment in the United States: March 1997. 8 pp. \$1.25. GPO S/N 803-005-00107-5. <http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/p20-505.pdf>



Publication Announcement No. 212
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This announcement lists all products issued in June 1998.

For a free paper-copy subscription or if you have any questions about the products listed in this issue, write or call Customer Services, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233. Phone 301-457-4100; TDD 301-457-4611; or fax 301-457-4714.

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For up-to-date information on new additions to our web site (including non-PDF files); sign up for a free E-mail subscription to the Census I-Net Bulletin at <http://www.census.gov/mp/www/subscribe.html#SUB>. You also can sign up there for E-mail subscriptions to *Monthly Product Announcement* and *Census and You*.

We also offer our new CenStats fee-based electronic subscription service that provides a convenient, easy, point-and-click access to several popular Census Bureau databases including some that we sell on CD-ROMs. The URL is <http://www.census.gov/apsd/www/censtats.html>.

For the latest online information about Census Bureau products and how to obtain them, look up CenStore (<http://www.census.gov/mp/www/censtore.html>).

If you have technical questions you may E-mail them to webmaster@census.gov.

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The publications listed below are new PDF files in addition to those listed with their respective publications.

Economic

BR. Monthly Retail Trade: Sales and Inventories. <http://www.census.gov/svsd/www/monret.html> Note: In an effort to

reduce costs and to provide more timely access to the data, information from this report will only be available on the Internet beginning with January 1998 data. Data files are available in spreadsheet (wk1) and html format. Explanatory text accompanies the data. No longer available in print or PDF format. Census contact: Nancy Piesto, 301-457-2706.

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